

**What is claimed is:**

1. An electronic device comprising:

display means for displaying in a hierarchical order  
a plurality of menus formed in a hierarchical structure;

menu-display selecting means for selecting a menu to  
5 be displayed on said display means;

execution instructing means for instructing to  
execute a menu being displayed on said display means;

direct-execution-menu setting means for setting the  
menu being displayed on said display means as a direct  
10 execution menu; and

direct-execution instructing means for instructing to  
execute the menu set as the direct execution menu.

2. The electronic device according to claim 1, further

15 comprising:

setting-change protecting means for regulating a  
change of a setting of the direct execution menu by a  
password.